

The Colorado swine industry is an important part of Colorado's rich agriculture heritage. Swine operations once primarily offered diversity for Colorado family farm operations. Today the industry is an economic cornerstone for several rural communities. In the past decade, the swine industry has witnessed clear consolidation with 2% of the operations controlling 94% of the hogs. Swine producers participate in a variety of programs focusing on the health, safety and well-being of the animals and workers within their operations. Additionally, a focus on conservation and protection of the natural resources and environment of theses operations and communities is a priority. Finally, swine producers continue the assurance of producing a safe, wholesome and high quality pork product for consumers.

Economics & Rankings

Currently, Colorado's swine population totals more than 860,000 head controlled by 800 operations.

- 15th in swine production nationally
- Colorado's swine inventory includes 150,000 sows
- Annual pig crop is 2.94 million
- Swine inventory valued at \$63.1 million

For more information

For information on swine operations, environment and economics:

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